

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2, 8 and 10 without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 1, 3, 5 thru 7, 9 and 11 thru 14, as follows:

1 1. (Currently Amended) In a process for transmitting a facsimile message from a
2 transmitting facsimile machine to a first receiving facsimile machine, a subprocess for
3 informing the transmitting facsimile machine of error occurrence at [[a]] the first
4 receiving facsimile machine, said subprocess comprising the steps of:

5 (1) inputting a telephone number of a second receiving facsimile machine when an
6 error occurs at said first receiving facsimile machine while said first receiving facsimile
7 machine ~~receives~~ is receiving said facsimile message;

8 (2) when a ring signal is input from said transmitting facsimile machine, forming
9 a communication line, exchanging protocols of said transmitting facsimile machine and
10 of said first receiving facsimile machine, and storing a telephone number of said
11 transmitting facsimile machine among said protocols received from the transmitting
12 facsimile machine;

13 (3) printing [[said]] fax data received from said transmitting facsimile machine
14 and simultaneously checking whether an error occurs;

15 (4) when an error occurs, ~~detecting~~ obtaining an error message corresponding to
16 said error from a pre-stored error table and storing said error message;

17 (5) when said communication line is cut off from said transmitting facsimile
18 machine due to said error occurrence, detecting said telephone number of said
19 transmitting facsimile machine and forming a communication line therewith; and

20 (6) when said communication line with said transmitting facsimile machine is
21 formed, transmitting error information occurring at said receiving facsimile machine,
22 wherein said error information includes at least said telephone number of said second
23 receiving facsimile machine and said error message.

Claim 2. (Canceled)

1 3. (Currently Amended) The process of claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, wherein, before said
2 communication line with said transmitting facsimile machine is cut off, said telephone
3 number of said second receiving facsimile machine and said error message are stored in
4 an error buffer.

1 4. (Original) The process of claim 1, further comprising the step of converting
2 said error information into bit map data when said telephone number of said transmitting
3 facsimile machine is detected and said communication line is formed.

1 5. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein said error information ~~of~~
2 ~~said facsimile message~~ is printed in said facsimile message.

1 6. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 1, wherein said error table is a
2 look-up table including at least one error ~~messages~~ message respectively corresponding
3 to at least one error that may occur in transmission of said facsimile message.

1 7. (Currently Amended) In a ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus ~~adapted~~
2 for transmitting a facsimile message to a first ~~facsimile~~ receiving facsimile machine, said
3 ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus comprising:

4 a scanner for reading a document;

5 means for transmitting and receiving information;

6 means for exchanging protocols with said first ~~facsimile~~ receiving facsimile
7 machine; and

8 a printer;

9 *the improvement comprising:*

10 ~~[[an]]~~ informing means for furnishing information concerning error

11 occurrence[[,]] to the ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus, wherein said informing
12 means furnishes the transmitting facsimile apparatus with information concerning nature
13 of an error occurring at the first receiving facsimile machine, and a telephone number of a
14 second receiving facsimile machine that is capable of receiving the facsimile message in
15 the event of error at the first receiving facsimile machine.

Claim 8. (Canceled)

1 9. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ In the apparatus of claim ~~[[8]]~~ 7, ~~wherein the~~
2 ~~informing means comprises~~ further comprising:

3 means for inputting ~~[[a]]~~ the telephone number of ~~[[a]]~~ the second ~~facsimile~~
4 receiving facsimile machine when ~~[[an]]~~ the error occurs ~~[[in]]~~ at said first ~~facsimile~~
5 receiving facsimile machine while said first ~~facsimile~~ receiving facsimile machine
6 ~~receives~~ is receiving said facsimile message;

7 means for forming a communication line~~[[,]]~~ when a ring signal is input from said
8 transmitting facsimile apparatus;

9 means for exchanging protocols of said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus
10 and of said first ~~facsimile~~ receiving facsimile machine, ~~and~~ when the communication line
11 is formed;

12 means for storing a telephone number of said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting ~~machine~~
13 facsimile apparatus among said protocols received from the ~~facsimile~~ transmitting
14 facsimile apparatus ~~when a ring signal is input from said facsimile transmitting apparatus~~
15 the protocols are exchanged;

16 means for printing said facsimile message received from said transmitting
17 facsimile apparatus and for simultaneously checking determining whether an error occurs
18 ~~or not;~~

19 means for ~~detecting~~ obtaining an error message corresponding to said error from a
20 pre-stored error table, ~~if an~~ when the error occurs, and;

21 means for storing said error message;

22 means for ~~detecting~~ obtaining said telephone number of said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting
23 facsimile apparatus and forming a communication line therewith[,]] when said
24 communication line is cut off from said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus due to
25 ~~said error~~ occurrence of the error; and

26 means for transmitting error information ~~occurring in said facsimile message~~ to
27 said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus[,]] when said communication line with
28 said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting facsimile apparatus is formed.

Claim 10. (Canceled)

1 11. (Currently Amended) [[The]] In the apparatus of claim 9, ~~wherein the~~
2 ~~informing means comprises~~ further comprising error buffer means for storing ~~in an error~~
3 ~~buffer~~ said telephone number of said second ~~facsimile~~ receiving facsimile machine and
4 said error message[,]] before said communication line with said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting
5 facsimile apparatus is cut off.

1 12. (Currently Amended) [[The]] In the apparatus of claim 9, ~~wherein the~~
2 ~~informing means comprises~~ further comprising means for converting said error
3 information into bit map data when said telephone number of said ~~facsimile~~ transmitting
4 facsimile apparatus is ~~detected~~ obtained and said communication line is formed.

1 13. (Currently Amended) [[The]] In the apparatus of claim 9, wherein ~~the~~
2 ~~informing means comprises~~ said printing means for ~~printing~~ prints said error information
3 in said facsimile message ~~said error information of said facsimile message~~.

1 14. (Currently Amended) [[The]] In the apparatus of claim 9, ~~wherein the~~
2 ~~informing means comprises~~ further comprising a look-up table ~~including~~ containing at

3 least one error ~~messages~~ message respectively corresponding to at least one error that
4 may occur in transmission of said facsimile message.